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C O N F I D E N T I A L SOFIA 0402

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SUBJECT: BULGARIAN DISSIDENT INTELLECTUALS

REF: A) SOFIA 0389 (NOTAL); B) SOFIA 0362; C) SOFIA 0328

1. EMBASSY HAS LEARNED FROM RELIABLE BULGARIAN SOURCE THAT, ALTHOUGH SOME BULGARIAN INTELLECTUALS WERE CALLED IN FOR QUESTIONING DURING RECENT WEEKS, NONE OF THOSE KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN QUESTIONED (INCLUDING THOSE MENTIONED IN REFS B AND C) IS NOW UNDER ARREST. QUESTIONING WAS RESULT, FOR MOST PART, OF CIRCULATION HERE OF CHARTER '77 IN BULGARIAN TRANSLATION IN LATE JANUARY AND EARLY FEBRUARY.

2. COMMENT: THERE IS A QUESTION OF DEFINITION IN AREA BETWEEN BEING CALLED IN FOR QUESTIONING AND IN BEING ARRESTED,
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PARTICULARLY IF THE QUESTIONING WAS PROLONGED. AT SAME TIME, IT WOULD NOW SEEM TO EMBASSY THAT REPORTS OF RECENT DETENTIONS OF INTELLECTUALS IN BULGARIA THAT APPEARED IN VIENNESE PRESS MAY HAVE BEEN PRODUCT OF BULGARIAN EXILE GROUPS, WORKING FROM LIMITED OR INACCURATE INFORMATION. WHATEVER THERE WAS HERE WAS QUICKLY AND EFFECTIVELY QUELLED BY GOB. DISSIDENT INTELLECTUALS EXIST, BUT THEY HAVE NOT SO FAR

BEEN AS ACTIVE -- OR AS FIRMLY DEALT WITH -- AS PRESS
REPORTS FROM VIENNA SUGGESTED.
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